



## Seal Wax

### Preface

I'm currently working on a very big project and came up with the idea to beautify it with seal wax. But before I buy anything, I just tried it out to see if I could build it myself. I've stopped looking in the internet again and again to build the found tutorials, because I don't learn enough. I try to think about the problem myself and solve it myself. When I thought about it, I came to the conclusion that wax crayon already has the colour of seal wax and that you just have to make it liquid. Let's see if my first attempt works.

### Materials





I had most of the materials at home, only aluminium foil I had to buy extra. I then had to buy several rolls because you can always use it. Even though I don't like to use aluminium, because the



manufacturing process is very rough and pollutes the environment.

- Wax Crayons
- Carpet Knife
- Flat Nose Pliers
- Aluminium Foil
- Small Metal Clips
- Big Screw or real Seal

### Realisation

Since we need the material but not the paper in which the wax crayon is bound, we take it off with the carpet knife.



In the next step we crush the wax crayon and cut it with the carpet knife into small flakes. We take care not to cut our fingers. As you can see from the plaster I was a little too motivated.



So that we don't make our desk dirty, we put the wax flakes on a blog or other stable base.



We tear an approx. 1m long piece of aluminium foil from the roll and fold it together in the middle. Then we fold it again until we have a four cm wide strip. It may also be thicker, because then no liquid flows into our oven.



We unfold the aluminium foil in the middle so that we have a small boat. You probably know this when you have folded a paper boat in elementary school.





The two folded sides are secured with small metal clamps. This prevents it from falling apart.



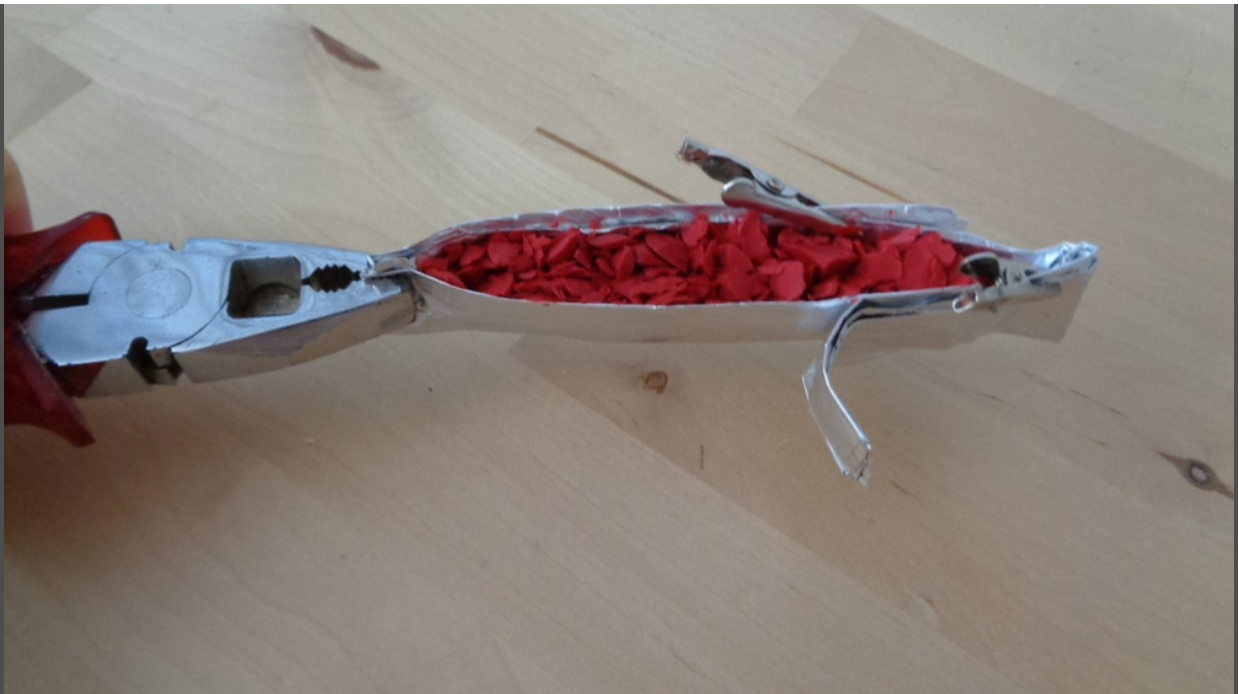
I bent over a small part of the small boat or tub so that it would stand on its own. It is a small foot so that our construction does not tip over.



Before we fill our tub we set our oven to 250°C and let it preheat. In the meantime, fill the wax snippets into the small aluminium foil tub.



So that we don't burn our fingers later we take the tub out of the oven with a pair of pliers. I took a symbolic photo of it because I don't want to hold my camera in a hot oven.



After a few minutes the wax is liquid and we can take the project out of the oven. I put it on your paper pad in case something spills. There I let the "seal wax" cool down until it is no longer hot.



Since I don't have a real stamp yet, I simply took a thick screw and stamped it with it.





### Conclusion

My idea was going in the right direction but somehow it wasn't perfect yet. Although you could press your "seal" into the dissolved wax crayon, it crumbled into small pieces the colder it got. Later it has to hold right and must not just break off, because otherwise my other project would break down. I don't want that. The colour works out quite well and I just have to see how I can mix it with something sticky so that it lasts longer and doesn't break.